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3. (Amended) A method according to claim 1 [or 2],
wherein the signals are audio signals.

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4. (Amended) A method according to [any preceding] claim 1, wherein the at least one filter includes a first filter for suppressing frequencies which do not exhibit a sufficient degree of coherence.

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6. (Amended) A method according to [any preceding] claim 1, wherein the at least one filter includes a second filter for identifying regions in the frequency spectrum of a cross correlation function likely to exhibit a correlated phase between adjacent frequencies in its Fourier Transform.

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8. (Amended) A method according to claim 6 [or 7], [including] further comprising calculating the time delay between the common signal in the input signals by tracking the phase difference between the input signals as a function of frequency using the second filter.

9. (Amended) A method according to claim 6 [to 8], [including] further comprising calculating variations in the time delay between the common signal in the input signals as a function of frequency using the second filter.

10. (Amended) A method according to [any preceding] claim 6, [including] further comprising using a third filter to remove frequencies which do not have sufficient amplitude.

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12. (Amended) A method according to [any preceding] claim 1, wherein the at least one filter includes a fourth

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filter for compensating the input signals for dispersion effects.

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15. (Amended) An apparatus [Apparatus] according to claim 13 [or 14], wherein the signals are audio signals.

16. (Amended) An apparatus [Apparatus] according to [any of claims] claim 13 [to 15], wherein the at least one filter includes a first filter for suppressing frequencies which do not exhibit a sufficient degree of coherence.

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18. (Amended) An apparatus according to [any of claims] claim 13 [to 17], wherein the at least one filter includes a second filter for identifying regions in the frequency spectrum of a cross correlation function likely to exhibit a correlated phase between adjacent frequencies in its Fourier Transform.

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20. (Amended) An apparatus according to claim 18 [or 19], including calculating the time delay between the common signal in the input signals by tracking the phase difference between the input signals as a function of frequency using the second filter.

21. (Amended) An apparatus according to [any of claims] claim 18 [to 20], including calculating variations in the time delay between the common signal in the input signals as a function of frequency using the second filter.

22. (Amended) An apparatus according to [any of claims] claim 13 [to 21], including a third filter to remove